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**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A polyester film which has a base layer (B) and has, applied to this base layer (B), at least one overlayer (A) which has been coated with a barrier layer (D), wherein the base layer (B) comprises poly(m-xylenedipamide) and polyester, and the barrier layer (D) is composed of a blend in which a film-forming substance and a copolymer of maleic acid and acrylic acid are present, wherein said film exhibits an oxygen transmission smaller than  $25 \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{d}^{-1} \cdot \text{bar}^{-1}$  and a gloss for overlayer (A) of greater than 100.
2. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base layer (B) comprises from 5 to 40% by weight of poly(m-xylenedipamide), based on the weight of the base layer (B).
3. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlayer (A) comprises poly(m-xylenedipamide).
4. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the melt viscosity of the poly(m-xylenedipamide) is smaller than 2000 poises.
5. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 5.
6. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[5]] 1, wherein the ~~thermoplastic~~ polyester of the base layer (B) has at least one of ethylene glycol units and terephthalic acid units, and ethylene glycol units and naphthalene-2,6-dicarboxylic acid units.

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7. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[5]] 1, wherein the polyester of the base layer (B) has isophthalic acid units, terephthalic acid units, and ethylene glycol units.

8. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim [[5]] 1, wherein polyethylene terephthalate is used as polyester of the base layer (B).

9. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein polyvinyl alcohol is used as film-forming substance for the barrier layer (D).

10. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 10.

11. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 11.

12. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has a D-A-B-C layer structure, A and C being overlayers which may be identical or different.

13. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 12, wherein at least one of the overlayers (A) or (C) comprise a polyester used for the base layer (B).

14. (Currently Amended) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlayer (A) has a gloss greater than ~~100~~ 120.

15. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 15.

16. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has an opacity smaller than 20%.

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17. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the adhesion between the layers of the film is greater than 0.5 N/25 mm.

18. (Original) A process for producing a polyester film as claimed in claim 1, encompassing the steps of

- a) production of a multilayer film by coextrusion,
- b) longitudinal stretching of the film,
- c) coating of the film with the barrier layer (D),
- d) transverse stretching of the coated film, and
- e) heat-setting of the stretched film.

19. (Currently Amended) Packaging film comprising polyester film as claimed in claim 1.

20. (New) A film according to Claim 1, wherein said film exhibits an average roughness,  $R_a$ , for overlayer (A) of from 10 to 100 nm.

21. (New) A film according to Claim 1, wherein said film further comprises recycle formed from said film, present in an amount of from about 10 to 60 % by weight.

22. (New) A biaxially oriented polyester film which has a base layer (B), and has, disposed on this base layer (B) at least one overlayer (A) which has been coated with a barrier layer (D), wherein the base layer (B) comprises poly(m-xyleneadipamide) and polyester, and the barrier layer (D) comprises a film-forming substance and a copolymer of maleic acid and acrylic acid, wherein the only catalysts associated with the film consist of polymerization catalyst(s).